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SUBJECT: PRESIDENT SENGHOR'S SCHEDULE FOR VISIT TO UNITED
STATES

1. DURING OUR MEETING JANUARY 25, I ASKDED PRESIDENT SENGHOR
IF HE HAD DECIDED ON A FIRM SCHEDULE FOR VISITING THE US.

2. SENGHOR SAID THAT HE HAS TO DECLINE THE YALE UNIVERSITY
OFFER FOR AN HONORARY DOCTORATE MAY 22. HE HAS A COMMITMENT
IN PARIS MAY 17-20 FOR AN OFFICIAL VISIT, AND MAY 22-26 FOR
THE ANNUAL FRANCO-AFRICAN SUMMIT.

3. SENGHOR SAID HE WOULD LIKE TO PROCEED TO NEW YORK DIRECTLY
FROM PARIS, AND IS CURRENTLY PLANNING TO BE IN THE UNITED
STATES THE ENTIRE FIRST WEEK OF JUNE. HE SAID HE WILL TENTA-
TIVELY ARRIVE MAY 31 AND DEPART JUNE 7. HE SAID HE HAD MADE A
COMMITMENT TO ATTEND A DINNER IN HIS HONOR TO BE ORGANIZED
BY THE FRIENDS OF THE LSS FOUNDATION.

4. COMMENT: SENGHOR GAVE NO INDICATION THAT HIS TRIP TO THE
US IS LINKED TO A POSSIBLE MEETING WITH PRESIDENT CARTER.
HE HAS MADE A COMMITMENT TO ATTEND A FUND-RAISING DINNER IN
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HIS HONOR, AND I FEEL HE INTENDS TO GO THROUGH WITH THAT
REGARDLESS OF ANY OTHER CONSIDERATION.
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